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Mr. Darren Newton BRAC Environmental Coordinator Marine Corps Air Station El Toro Base Realignment and Closure 7040 Trabuco Road Irvine, CA 92618

COMMENTS ON DRAFT WORK PLAN FOR DELINEATION OF THE DOWNGRADIENT METHYL TERTIARY BUTYL ETHER PLUME, UST 222, FORMER MARINE CORPS AIR STATION, TUSTIN

Dear Mr. Newton:

We have completed our review of the above-referenced document, dated December 22, 2005, which we received on December 23, 2005. The activities proposed in the work plan are to collect groundwater samples in the second and third water-bearing zones, in order to delineate the downgradient extent of the methyl tertiary butyl ether in the groundwater.

We approve the proposed work plan. Please submit electronic copies of the groundwater analytical data and a report through State Water Resources Control Board's GeoTracker website. Go to http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/ for information on obtaining a password, data format, and instruction for electronic submittal of information.

If you should have any questions, please call me at (951) 782-4498 or send e-mail to phannon@waterboards.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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cc: Mr. (Ram) Anantaraman Peddada, Dept. of Toxic Substances Control

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